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SUMMONS TO ATTEND A MEETING OF THE
NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Time/Date 6.30 pm on THURSDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2024
Location Forest Room, Stenson House, London Road, Coalville, LE67 3FN
Officer to contact Democratic Services (01530 454512)



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Chief Executive

AGENDA

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PRAYERS	
1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
Under the Code of Conduct members are reminded that in declaring interests you should make clear the nature of that interest and whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest, registerable interest or other interest	
3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	
4. LEADER'S AND PORTFOLIO HOLDERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS	
Members are reminded that under paragraph 11.1 of part 3 of the Constitution, questions can be asked of the Leader and Cabinet Members without notice about any matter contained in any address. Questions shall be limited to five minutes in total for each announcement.	
5. QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION	
To receive questions from members of the public under procedure rule no.10. The procedure rule provides that members of the public may ask members of the Cabinet any question on any matter in relation to which the Council has	

powers or duties which affect the District, provided that three clear days' notice in writing has been given to the Head of Legal and Support Services.

6. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

To receive members' questions under procedure rule no.11. The procedure rule provides that any member may ask the Chairman of a board or group any question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the District, provided that three clear days' notice in writing has been given to the Head of Legal and Support Services.

7. MOTIONS

To consider the following motion received from Councillor M Wyatt:

This Council notes:

Sky lanterns might look pretty but they are a serious danger to animals and the countryside, causing fires, injuring farm animals and creating significant litter problems.

Every year up to 200,000 sky lanterns are released in the UK.

In 2019, the NfU launched a campaign to urge people to email their council to ban sky lanterns on land it owns. To date 188 councils out of 333 have banned them in England and Wales. In January 2023, the NfU's petition reached more than 100,000 signatures as more members of the public became concerned with the harmful impact of sky lanterns. The petition remains open and NWLDC has received a request asking that it consider supporting the campaign.

I would like to propose a motion that this Council resolves to:

- a) Refuse permission for the release of any sky lanterns from any Council owned public open space.
- b) Require officers to introduce a condition of contract relating to outdoor events and organised functions on land or property owned and/or controlled by the District Council to prohibit the release of any sky lantern.
- c) To provide information on its website drawing attention to the harmful effects of sky lanterns on the environment and animals.

8. PETITIONS

To receive petitions in accordance with the Council's Petition Scheme.

9. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 30 January 2024.

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